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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7469

BILL NUMBER: HB 1391

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 8, 2007

BILL AMENDED: Feb 7, 2007

SUBJECT: Surgical Technologists.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Reske

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill provides that an individual may not profess to be a certified surgical technologist unless the individual holds and maintains the Certified Surgical Technologist Credential administered by the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA). The bill also establishes a Class B misdemeanor penalty for certain violations.

Effective Date: July 1, 2007.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: *Penalty Provision* - Violations of the certification provision would constitute a Class B misdemeanor. If additional court cases occur and fines are collected, revenue to both the Common School Fund (from fines) and the state General Fund (from court fees) would increase. The maximum fine for a Class B misdemeanor is \$1,000. However, any additional revenue would likely be small.

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Penalty Provision:* A Class B misdemeanor is punishable by up to 180 days in jail.

Explanation of Local Revenues: *Penalty Provision:* If additional court actions occur and a guilty verdict is entered, local governments would receive revenue from court fees. However, any change in revenue would likely be small.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Trial courts, local law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources: Health Finance Commission, August 10, 2006 Meeting Minutes; Professional Licensing Agency.

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